Forgery by M/s United Breweries Limited

1679. MISS FRIDA TOPNO:
SHRI BHAGAT RAM MANHAR:
SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2930 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th December, 2001 and state:

(a) whether the Directorate of Enforcement has since received any report in regard to investigation made by the Delhi Police for the forgery committed by M/s United Breweries Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any challan has been filed in the court; and

(d) if so, the details in the regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) The case is still under investigation of the Delhi Police. No challan has been filed so far.

Overdraft position of State Governments

1680. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:
SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the overdraft position of all State Governments worsened considerably during the current year and their accounts were frozen by RBI treasuries were closed down for a few days;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the main reasons for worsening of the financial position of States and in what way the Central Government propose to help these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (c) Some States have

experienced periodic Ways and Means due to mismatch between receipt and expenditure. To enable such States to deal with the situation, there is an agreement between the States and Reserve Bank of India to provide Ways and Means support.

Since transactions between a State and the RBI is conducted as per the agreement between the two, disclosure of information on overdraft by States impinges upon the relationship between the banker and the clients (between RBI and the State Governments) such information is not published or made public by the RBI.

The Financial Management of the States is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments and it is for the respective State Governments to initiate remedial action. However, in order to alleviate the mismatch in the States' cash flows, the Government of India releases plan assistance, share in central taxes and small savings loans in advance depending on the needs and requests of the State Governments. In addition to Ways and Means support by Reserve Bank of India, Central Government also provides Ways and Means advance to States.

Pursuant to the recommendations of Eleventh Finance Commission, a scheme for the States Fiscal Reforms Facility has been drawn up. Under the Scheme, States have been encouraged to draw a monitorable fiscal reforms programme aimed at improving their financial position in the medium term.

Outstanding loan against industrial houses

†1681. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified such big 20 industrial houses which have taken maximum loans from Government banks and other financial institutions and have not returned the same in due time;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.